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Re: 10/679,534 moving forward with the patent award

Dear Mr. Lars Olson:

I understand that the amendment made to narrow the claims of my invention is something you would like more time to review from your advisory action. We presently have two claims that are accepted and undisputed. I very much appreciate your reviewing these options with me on the phone. Having considered the options, I wish to move forward with the presently accepted claims alone. The accepted claims are one independent claim and one dependent claim provided below:

12. A hull for conveyance across a fluid compromising: *(previously added)*

13. A central hull with a buoyant forward section *(previously added)*

A outboard chines which extend below said central hull providing a means to trap air, water, or a mixture of air and water, or a mixture of air and water providing lift to the hull *(previously added)*
B said outboard chines provide buoyancy to the hull *(previously added)*
C said outboard chines are designed as a means to house water jets or other propulsion drives. *(previously added)*
D The hull in claim 12 wherein said outboard chines are designed as a means to produce stern wake canceling effects. *(previously added)*

The following attachment has all of the claims as previously provided with updated status identifiers. Claims 12 and 13 are listed as "previously added" and all other claims are listed as "withdrawn".

With this action we can properly award a patent and I will follow up in a separate action to include the claims you wish more time to review.

Best Regards,

Roger Guerard

Roger Guerard, Naval Architect